

Town of Freedom Select Board Minutes July 12, 2021

Present: Steve Bennett, Ron Price, Elaine Higgins, Cindy Abbott, Travis Price, Dyann Anderson, Jim Waterman, Tim Biggs, Anne-Marie Adamson and Amanda Jamison

Ron called the meeting to order at 6:05pm.

FVFD: Jim Waterman thanked Ron and Travis Price for putting binder on tree. Jim said hose testing is done, and they did it in conjunction with Troy Fire Department. Jim reported engine in one truck making noise, knows the engine or truck will need to be replaced at some point.

Public Works: Travis Price is making progress on Truck 6.

Citizen's Issues: Ron let Travis know a citizen who lives on Ledges Lane requested official speed sign. The board decided since this is a private road the citizen can purchase a sign for the road.

Treasurer's Report: Dyann Anderson presented Payroll Warrant in the amount of \$3,606.55 and the A/P Warrant in the amount of \$101,578.09. The ending checkbook balance is \$137,976.06. Dyann worked with Amy Dunn. Select Board will meet with Dyann on Monday, July 19 at 9am to go over changes made.

Motion by Elaine: To approve Treasurer's Report and pay the Payroll Warrant in the amount of \$3,606.55 and pay the A/P Warrant in the amount of \$101,578.09. Steve 2nd. Unanimous.

Town Clerk: Cindy Abbot reported that it was brought to her attention that Mill Street is not on the tax maps.

Solid Waste: Select Board reported on meeting with Mike Carroll from MRC. Mike said the goal is to have the plant up and running by the beginning of 2022. In the meantime, Freedom's garbage goes to the landfill.

Recreation Committee: Cindy said the mailing about the August 21 parade and events went out. From that mailing, one person called the office to volunteer for committee.

Assessor: Select Board met with Jackie Robbins.

Motion by Steve: To sign tax commitment form for current year 2021. Ron 2nd. Unanimous. The mill rate will be 19.0.

Planning Board: Ron reported that the planning board approved the Lost Kitchen's request for a change of use for the dining pods. They now can be used as sleeping pods.

Southwestern Waldo County Broadband Coalition: Elaine Higgins reported she went to Liberty's Select Board meeting. She said Liberty is in support of the interlocal agreement to work with all five towns to create public utility to run fiber optics.

Budget Committee: Next meeting is July 20th at 7pm.

Motion by Ron: To go into Executive Session at 7:25pm for Personnel Matters 1 MRSA 405 (6) A. At 7:40pm came out of Executive Session.

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Motion by Steve: To accept minutes as presented from July 6 Select Board meeting and place them on file. Unanimous.

Motion to adjourn at 7:45pm.

Respectfully submitted, Amanda Jamison